



GALLASPY COLLEGE of
Education and
Human Development

ACADEMIC MAP TO B.S. IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

2026-2027



NORTHWESTERN STATE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

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YEAR 1	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
	UNIV 1000 - The University Experience			1	C
	ENGL 1010 - Composition & Rhetoric I			3	C
	MATH 1020 - College Algebra or MATH 1035 - Contemporary Mathematics			3	C
	FA 1040 - Fine Arts			3	C
	HIST 2010 - History of the United States or HIST 2020 - History of the United States			3	C
	SCI 1010 - Basic Concepts of Physical Science I			3	C

- Secure a local background check before conducting field experiences

Semester Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
EDUC 2020 - Foundations Of Multicultural Education	+		3	C
ENGL 1020 - Composition and Rhetoric II			3	C
MATH 1060 - Finite Mathematics			3	C
SCI 1020 - Basic Concepts of Biological Science I			3	C
COMM 1010 - Oral Communication			3	C
HED 1010 - First Aid and CPR			3	C

- Complete steps to be admitted to Teacher Candidacy

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
	EPSY 2020 - Introduction to Child and Adolescent Psychology			3	C
	RDG 3030 - Introduction to Literacy Theory and Practice	+		3	C
	ENGL 2110 - Introduction to Literature			3	C
	MATH 2030 - Elementary and Middle School Mathematics			3	C
	SCI 2010 - Basic Concepts Of Physical Science OR SCI 2020 - Basic Concepts Of Biological Science II			3	C
	ART 2040 - Art Education I OR MUS 2100 - Kindergarten & Elementary School Music			3	C

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Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
EPSY 3000 - Classroom Assessment	+		3	C
PSCI 2010 - Government of United States			3	C
GEOG 1010 - World Regional Geography			3	C
EDUC 3140 - Instructional Planning			3	C
MATH 2040 - Informal Geometry and Measurement OR MATH 2050 - Math of Statistics			3	C

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 3	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
	*RDG 3080 - Dyslexia, Literacy, and The Science of Reading: Research-Validated Interventions and Applications	+		3	C
	*EDUC 3100 - Standards-Based Pedagogical Skills for Teaching Numeracy	+		3	C
	HIST 3040 - History of Louisiana			3	C
	*EDUC 4330 - Content and Techniques of Teaching Science in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C
	*EDUC 4430 - Content and Techniques of Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C

* Must be taken concurrently

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

Take Elementary Subject Area Praxis exams and
Praxis PLT for Elementary grades

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
*EDUC 4080 - Applications of Teaching Literacy in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C
*EDUC 4230 - Teaching Methods in Numeracy and Mathematical Practices in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C
HP 3120 - Health and Physical Education for Elementary Classroom Teachers	+		3	C
ENG 3240 - Introduction to Second Language Teaching			3	C
EDUC 3210 - Learning Environment for Elementary School			3	C

* Must be taken concurrently

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

Apply for Residency I

YEAR 4	SEMESTER 1	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
	SPED 3460 - Introduction to the Study of Individuals with Disabilities			3	C
	EDUC 3010 - Assessment and Data Literacy	+		3	C
	EDUC 4961 - Residency I - Teaching in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C
	ELECTIVE			3	C

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2	Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min. Grade
ETEC 3010 - Technology Integration P-12 Digital Age Learning			3	C
EDUC 4962 - Residency II - Teaching in the Elementary Classroom	+		3	C
LIS 4160 - Literacy Related Materials for Children			3	C
ELECTIVE			3	C

- Apply for graduation
- Apply for your La. Teaching License

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits **120**

A grade of "C" or higher is required in all courses.



Requires admission to Teacher Candidacy



Requires Field Experiences



Milestone

Courses taken outside of a student's degree program are not eligible for Title IV federal financial aid (grants and loans). However, elective courses are eligible for Title IV aid if they are required and included in the student's program of study. Once a student has completed all required elective credits, any additional elective courses taken beyond the program's requirements will not be eligible for Title IV funding.

YOU'VE FINISHED!



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Semester Credits = 120